

# Professional Development Academy

Learn more, climb high, go further

Supporting UK teaching professionals  
in their continuous professional  
development.

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# What is the Professional Development Academy?

The Professional Development Academy is our brand-new online portal supporting UK teaching professionals in their continuous professional development.

We're passionate about enabling teachers to expand their knowledge, learn new skills and achieve their career aspirations. Which is why we're providing access to a wide variety of free and paid-for courses suitable for teachers at all stages of their career, whether in a primary, secondary, or further education role.

There are a range of on-demand, live and self-guided courses available, creating flexible learning options at a time and place that suits each individual.



*"Trainer was thorough and described scheme clearly. Also as she uses it herself was able to add in helpful tips and personal experiences."*

Power Maths TRG course - Sara Hill,  
Greengate Junior School

*"A really great training session."*

Lindsay Robson, Rakegate Primary School

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# Why choose Pearson to support your continuous professional development?

There are 4 key areas at the heart of the Professional Development Academy. All are equally as important in meeting your CPD needs, and combined, are what make the PD Academy a powerful learning portal.

## 1. Easy and flexible access to a wide variety of courses designed to meet every teacher's individual needs.



We understand that everyone is on an individual learning path which is why we have created a variety of courses to meet individual needs.

- ✓ We have a range of on-demand, live and self-guided training courses creating flexible options for learning.
- ✓ Our courses are dedicated to 4 key learning areas: core knowledge, teaching skills, classroom skills and leadership skills.
- ✓ There are courses designed to provide you with the future skills needed for an ever-changing world of classroom delivery.

## 2. High-quality courses developed by educational experts and trusted partners.



We're committed to providing high-quality relevant training courses which are continuously evolving to remain up to date.

- ✓ As a trusted provider of qualifications and supporting resources from ages 5-19, we are in a unique position to provide high-quality training.
- ✓ We have partnered with expert training providers, including Future Learn, Mable and Debate Mate.
- ✓ Many of our courses have been developed by our nationwide network of Assessment Associates who have vast experience marking exam papers and working with teachers and students in schools across the UK.



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3. Supporting you to develop the knowledge and skills needed to ensure students of all abilities and backgrounds thrive.



We have developed a variety of courses that focus on empowering you to feel confident in supporting a diverse range of students whatever their background, ability, or additional needs.

- ✓ Courses focused on achieving consistency in managing behaviour, recognising positive behaviour and building trust in the classroom.
- ✓ Courses focused on promoting positive mental health and well-being for both teachers and students.
- ✓ Courses focused on equipping you with the skills and knowledge needed to support disadvantaged students and students with SEND.

A snapshot into the PD Academy



## Mable Therapy

Expand your knowledge in key areas such as behaviour, mental health and speech and language therapy. Written by clinicians, the wide range of courses support staff to meet the specialist needs of individual pupils, as well as whole-class approaches to improving mental health and communication skills for everyone.

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4. Courses to help teachers and non-subject specialists develop subject knowledge and skills across primary and secondary.



We're providing subject specific training to support delivery of qualifications, promote in-depth knowledge of online teaching and learning resources, as well as the opportunity to network with fellow teaching professionals.

- ✓ With years of experience in providing professional training courses, such as network events to support the delivery of our qualifications, you can trust us to deliver high-quality subject-specific training.
- ✓ We provide extensive support to enable you to get the best out of our online teaching and learning resources such as the award-winning Power Maths and Bug Club Shared Reading as well as our ActiveLearn platform.
- ✓ Pearson is highly experienced in delivering quality online learning at scale with over 30,000 teaching professionals attending courses over the last two years.

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### Rapid Reading and Phonics

Live online courses for primary schools that are using Rapid Reading or Rapid Phonics. Up to 40 delegates from one school can join a pre-booked interactive 3-hour session.

The sessions cover:

1. Why do some children struggle to learn?
2. General principles around supporting struggling learners
3. Common principles within Rapid Phonics/Rapid Reading

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*"I thought it was effective to be able to show the resources using screen share and also to have the polls so that the trainer could learn a bit about us."*

Rapid Phonics - Sarach Clemence,  
Broomfield Primary School

# How does the PD Academy work?

- 1 Browse all courses or filter results to meet your individual needs.



## What would you like to develop?



Learn more about the subject I teach



Learn new teaching skills and practice



Support students with a variety of abilities and needs



Develop skills to progress my career

- 2 Select the course you are interested in to find out more.



- 3 Register or sign in to complete your booking.
- 4 For various paid-for courses you can select the package that works best for you or your school.

- 5 Once you have completed your booking, confirmation and joining instructions will be sent straight to your inbox.



# Take a closer look – next steps

Visit the Professional Development Academy to browse our extensive range of free and paid-for courses aimed at both primary and secondary educators.

Prices vary, with courses starting at £30 per person. We also offer whole-school package options for various courses, providing a cost-effective option for those looking for a whole-school training approach.

## Sign up for PD news

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